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SUBJECT: MUNITIONS CONTROL APPLICATIONS

REF: MC CASES A. RPB 32500 AND B. UK 40121

1. DEPT RECEIVED FEB 15 1977 APPLICATION FROM RBP INDUSTRIES ATLANTA, GEORGIA FOR LICENSE TO EXPORT 4 INGRAM MAC10 9MM SUBMACHINE GUNS TO PROCUREMENT EXEC., MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, SOUTHWARK STREET, LONDON SE1. THIS ORDER PLACED WITH U.S. FIRM BY R. CHEESEMAN, COGSWELL AND HARRISON LTD., 168 PICCADILLY, LONDON; FACTORY LOCATE 136 SOUTHWARK STREET, LONDON SE1. CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION, SIGNED BY R. E. HANSON, PROCUREMENT EXEC, MOD, INDICATES THAT ON JUL 8, 1975, VOUCHER NO.11904, BRITISH ARMY LOANED COGSWELL AND HARRISON 4 OF THE SUBJECT FIREARMS WHICH WERE NEVER RETURNED. DEPT REQUESTED RPB IND. TO CONTACT COGSWELL AND HARRISON TO DETERMINE WHAT HAPPENED TO LOANED FIREARMS THAT THEY NOW NEEDED TO REPLACE.

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2. JUNE 6, 1977 DEPT RECEIVED LTR FROM RPB WITH ATTACHED LTR SIGNED BY C. J. HOWELLS, SECURITY DEPT, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE INDICATING THAT FIREARMS ON PENDING APPLICATIONS ARE FOR BRITISH CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN BUENOS

AIRES, ARGENTINA AND NOT FOR USE IN UK. NO MENTION OR EXPLANATION WAS GIVEN BY EITHER UK GOVT OR COGSWELL AND

HARRISON AS TO DISPOSITION OF LOANED SUBMACHINE GUNS.

3. DEPT ON JUN 6 RECEIVED APPLICATION FROM BRITISH EMBASSY FOR LICENSE TO EXPORT 16 INGRAM MAC10 9MM SUBMACHINE GUNS TO QAD(W), COLD MEECE STONE, STAFF, "FOR DEFENSE PROGRAM".

4. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE DISPOSITION OF FIREARMS LOANED TO COGSWELL AND HARRISON, IMPRESSING UPON BOTH COMPANY AND GOVT OUR CONCERN AND FACT THAT ISSUANCE OF LICENSE DEPENDENT UPON INFORMATION, ASCERTAIN WHETHER BRITISH EMBASSY REQUEST INCLUDES FIREARMS INTENDED FOR ARGENTINA, PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC PURPOSE FOR 16 SUBMACHINE GUNS, AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATION ON ISSUANCE OF LICENSES.

5. A PROMPT RESPONSE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. DEPT ANTICIPATES BEING QUERIED SHORTLY SINCE BRITISH EMBASSY APPLICATION MARKED URGENT. VANCE

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